

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Murakawa et al.)
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(Continuation of Ser. No. 07/402,450))
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For: METHOD FOR AMPLIFICATION)
AND DETECTION OF RNA)
SEQUENCES)

**Supplemental Preliminary Amendment and Request for
Interference Under 37 C.F.R. 1.607**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The above-referenced patent application was filed on December 18, 1996 as a Rule 60 continuation of Serial No. 07/402,450. A serial number has not yet been assigned. Simultaneously with the filing of the application, Applicants submitted a Preliminary Amendment and Request for Interference Under 37 C.F.R. 1.607. Applicants submit this further preliminary amendment and request that it be entered prior to examination of the application. Please charge any payment or fee associated with this filing not covered by the checks submitted concurrently herewith to Deposit Account No. 02-2135. An extra copy of this amendment is enclosed for these purposes.